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In re Application for:

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Application No.: 10/632,449

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For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
WITHSTANDING SHOCK IN A  
SPINDLE MOTOR**

Examiner: Justin Krause

Art Group: 3682

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

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In response to the Office Communication dated June 8, 2006, Applicants repeat their previously stated Election mailed May 20, 2006. In Applicants previous Election mailed May 20, 2006, an election was made as to Species 2: Figure 3 for all claims subject to the restriction requirement. By this, Applicants mean to elect Species 2: Figure 3 for claims 15-21 and 31-39.

Further, as previously stated in Applicants Election mailed May 20, 2006, Applicants traverse the restriction requirement as to Figure 2 and Figure 3. The Office action states:

“Figure 2 shows a shaft passing through an opening in the thrust plate as well as 2 sets of grooves. Figure 3 shows a solid thrust plate and no grooves.” (Office Action, page 3, par. 1)


Applicants submit that Fig. 3 illustrates an enlargement of a portion of Fig. 2, having a varied cross section, thus the thrust plate appearance is changed. Further, the grooves appearing in Fig. 2 are also present in Fig. 3 as illustrated by asymmetric groove apex 242 and symmetric groove apex 246. Additionally, the Brief Description of the Drawings states that Fig. 3 is another

sectional side view of a hydrodynamic bearing spindle motor illustrating a closer and more detailed view of features... Applicants reserve any traverse as to the restriction requirement involving Fig. 7.

Applicants additionally request that, upon the allowance of a generic claim, the species not elected as defined by the Office Action be included and written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitation of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

Respectfully submitted,  
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